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# IMPERIAL COUNTY DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH 797 MAIN STREET, EL CENTRO, CA 92243 LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCY

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IN THE MATTER OF:

Calexico Solid Waste Site (Facility No. 13-AA-0004),

NO. EA-2010-01

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Public Resources Code Division 30, Sections

Pescribed by Assessor Parcel Numbers:

44106 and 45011. California Code of

059100022, 059100024, 059100030, and 059100031.

Regulations Title 27, Sections 21600 and

20750.

### To: County of Imperial

William S. Brunet, Director

Imperial County Department of Public Works

155 South 11<sup>th</sup> Street

El Centro, CA 92243

#### PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

On February 24, 2010, the Imperial County Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) issued Notice and Order EA-2010-01 to the Imperial County Department of Public Works (Operator) directing the Operator to correct violations of 27 CCR 21600 – Report of Disposal Site Information at the Calexico Solid Waste Site within a stipulated timeframe. The Operator was directed in Notice and Order EA-2010-01 to submit a permit revision application to incorporate changes to the design and operation of the landfill by July 1, 2010 and to obtain the revised Solid Waste Facility Permit that incorporates all significant changes by January 1, 2011. The Operator was also directed to repair the road crossing the New River or provide an alternate access point to the eastern portion of the site in order to conduct site maintenance by August 18, 2010.

The California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery issued the Calexico Solid Waste Site an Amendment to the Inclusion on the Inventory of Solid Waste Facilities Which Violate State Minimum Standards pursuant to Section 44104 of the Public Resources Code (PRC) on February 4. 2010. Since the Operator of the Calexico Solid Waste Site has failed to comply with the requirements of Title 27 of the California Code of Regulations. the LEA has the authority pursuant to Section 44106(a) of the PRC to order a compliance schedule to ensure progress will be made to bring the facility into compliance.

On July 1, 2010, the Imperial County Department of Public Works submitted a request to the LEA for an extension to the deadline to submit a permit revision application; and consequently, an extension to the deadline to obtain a revised Solid Waste Facility Permit due to new critical property boundary information obtained during the preparation of the permit revision application. As a result, the Operator has requested additional time to amend the permit application package to reflect proposed revisions to the permitted facility boundaries of the site. Additionally, if the operator proposes to revise the permitted facility boundaries based on new property information, the necessity to provide access for site maintenance to the eastern portion of the site may be eliminated.

The LEA finds these reasons for an extension to be reasonable and outside of the control of the operator. The LEA hereby amends the timeframes specified in Notice and Order EA-2010-01 to those listed in this Amended Notice and Order.

WHEREAS, the Calexico Solid Waste Site is located at 133 W. Highway 98 (approximately 1.15 miles west of Calexico, California), described by Assessor Parcel Numbers: 059100022, 059100024, 059100030 and 059100031;

WHEREAS, the Imperial County Local Enforcement Agency has the authority to act in the capacity of enforcement agency (EA) for this facility pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 43200 et. seq., and is so acting: and

WHEREAS, the Imperial County Department of Public Works shall operate the Calexico Solid Waste Site (Facility Number: 13-AA-0004) in accordance with Title 27 of the California Code of Regulations Sections. Chapter 3 (State Minimum Standards) and the Solid Waste Facility Permit.

#### THEREFORE, YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED TO DO THE FOLLOWING:

Complete the following action on or before the date specified herein:

1.	Section 21600 T27 CCR - Report of Disposal Site Information: Submit a complete permit revision application that addresses the significant changes made at the site and complies with the directives provided in the 5-Year Permit Review Report.	
2.	Obtain a revised Solid Waste Facility Permit that incorporates all significant changes made at the site.	February 23, 2011
3.	Section 20750 T27 CCR - Site Maintenance: Repair road crossing of New River or provide alternate access to eastern portion of the permitted landfill facility if still necessary.	February 23, 2011

#### **FURTHER NOTICE:**

PURSUANT TO PRC SECTIONS 44305, 44306, 45011, 45014, AND 45023, if the above action is not completed or complied with by the specified dates, the Local Enforcement Agency may:

- Petition the superior court for injunctive relief to enforce this Notice and Order.
   [PRC Section 45014]
- 2. Petition the superior court for civil penalties in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 per day for each violation. [PRC Section 45023 and 45024]
- Impose administrative civil penalties in an amount not to exceed \$5,000 per day
  for each day the facility fails to achieve compliance with the time frames
  specified above. [PRC Section 45011]
- Suspend or revoke the Solid Waste Facility Permit. [PRC Sections 44305 and 44306]

In the event the time frame for completion of the above-specified activities cannot be adhered to due to factors not in the control of the operator, the LEA may extend the stipulated deadline based upon those specific factors provided by the operator in writing. Any such

extension to the time frame or other amendment to this Notice and Order shall be in the form of an Amended Notice and Order.

Nothing in this Notice and Order shall constitute or be construed as a satisfaction or release from liability for any conditions or claims arising as a result of past, current, or future operations. Notwithstanding compliance with the terms of this Notice and Order, the owner and operator may be required to take further actions as necessary to protect the public health, safety, or the environment.

The LEA shall not be liable for injuries or damages to persons or property resulting from acts or omissions by the owner or operator or related parties in carrying out activities pursuant to this Notice and Order, nor shall the LEA be held as a party to any contract entered into by the owner or operator or their agent(s) in carrying out activities pursuant to this Notice and Order.

This Notice and Order is supported by the accompanying declaration of Jorge Perez.

This Notice and Order does not relieve the owner or operator from complying with all other local, state, and federal requirements, nor does it preclude the LEA or CalRecycle from taking any and all other actions allowed by law.

This Notice and Order may only be amended in writing by an appropriate representative of the LEA.

#### PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT:

Pursuant to Title 14 CCR Section 18304(b)(8), the person or entity named in this Notice and Order has the right to appeal this Notice and Order to the Hearing Panel. [PRC Section 44307] A request for a hearing before the Hearing Panel must be filed within 15 days from the date of receipt of this Notice and Order. [PRC Section 44310]

This Notice and Order is issued as of the date set forth below.

Dated:

Jorge Perez

Environmental Health Compliance Specialist II

Local Enforcement Agency

Imperial County Public Health Department,

**Environmental Health Services**